ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. Q68827 PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Divisional Appln. of USSN: 09/765,411

Taku ISHIZAWA, et al.

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For: INK CARTRIDGE, AND INK-JET RECORDING APPARATUS USING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This is a divisional of Application No. 09/765,411 filed January 22, 2001; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-23 and 32-42 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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